

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

WILLIAMS, JR. ET AL.

Group Art Unit: 2616

Application No. 10/706,744

Examiner: JUNG, Min

Confirmation No. 8581

Filing Date: November 12, 2003

For: Using Ordered Locking Mechanisms
to Maintain Sequences of Items such
as Packets

AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Office action dated May 22, 2008, and the references cited have been fully considered. In response, please enter the amendments and consider the remarks presented herein. Reconsideration and/or further prosecution of the application is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.